



Implementing Innovation and Knowledge Exchange in the Maritime Market

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The Platform - Past



- Initiated in 2006 as Dutch Maritime research project for Maritime Broadband Connectivity
- Project completed in 2009, delivered:
 - Business enablers to embrace VSAT products
 - Product comparison between Iridium, Inmarsat and VSAT
- Platform launched in 2010
 - Managed by NMT (formerly HME), the Dutch association for shipyards, maritime suppliers and service providers.
- Goals:
 - Open communication between ship-owners and maritime suppliers
 - Discuss best practices
 - Share market updates

The Platform - Present



- Organisation
 - Chairman: Peter Cortie
 - Secretary: Ron Vollenga
 - NMT representative: Sanne de Vleeschhouwer
- Ship-owners: 13
- Suppliers: 11
- Activities:
 - Annual meeting(s)
 - Seminars (under management of NMT)
 - Cooperation with Digital Ship on the Rotterdam CIO Forum

The Platform - Future



- Activities:
 - Ship-owners discussion at Europort 2015
 - Seminar Q1 2016
 - Annual meeting Q2 2016
- Topics during meetings/seminars:
 - Development VSAT technology
 - Usability of Broadband Connectivity in cost efficient communications
 - Real-time monitoring
 - Crew welfare vs Operational excellence
 - Big Data / IOT
 - Project: Wi-Fi in port